A NEW VARIETY OF DALEA ERIOPHYLLA S. WATS. (LEGUMINOSAE-AMORPHEAE) FROM SIERRA MADRE ORIENTAL

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DALEA ERIOPHYLLA S. Wats. var. uniflora Barneby, var. nov.

Ab aliis speciei varietatibus floribus solitariis, ulterius a var. *eriophylla* quoad pubem congrua foliolis angustissime oblanceolatis involutis 0.5–0.7 mm tantum latis, a var. *frankenioide* Barneby quoad foliolorum ambitu comparabili foliis utrinque stipulisque extus (nec intus) canescenti-tomentellis recedens.

In my revision of *Dalea* (1977, p. 459) I called attention to a sterile specimen (*Shreve & Tinkham 9737*, GH) that differed from other known examples of *D. eriophylla* in linear-oblanceolate (not broadly oblanceolate or obovate) tightly involute leaflets. By courtesy of Dr. B. L. Turner I now have before me two flowering specimens with similar foliage which differ further from normal *D. eriophylla* in having the terminal capitulum reduced to a single flower. In outline of leaflets, these plants, here segregated as var. *uniflora*, resemble var. *frankenioides*, which is known only from the neighborhood of Catorce in San Luis Potosí, about 130 km to the southwest of Ascensión. The latter remains, however, obviously distinct even without flowers in its vivid green glabrous leaflets and externally hairless castaneous stipules that contrast with gray-tomentellous internodes.

TYPE: MEXICO. NUEVO LEÓN: open pine slope 4 mi S of Pablillo, 20 Jul 1958 (fl), D. S. Correll & I. M. Johnston 19903 (HOLOTYPUS: LL).

Open pinewoods near 2100–2200 m, known only from the segment of Sa. Madre Oriental lying along the 100th meridian between 24°20′ and 24°40′ N lat. in S Nuevo León.

Additional collections examined: Nuevo León: N of Doctor Arroyo near 100°W, 24° 30' N, Vankat 96 (TEX).

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